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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
MacLeod et al.

Attorney Docket No. A-59709-3/JAS

Serial No.: 09/631,438

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For: METHOD TO REDUCE TORQUE
RELATED AUDIBLE NOISE FOR
SPINDLE MOTOR

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

A clean version of the claims is as follows:

6. A magnetizer for magnetizing a circular magnet with a null zone intermediate alternating poles comprising a circular insulating core supporting pairs of axially directed wires, each pair of wires adapted to carry current in the same axial direction, and a back iron radially spaced from said circular core by a sufficient radial gap to allow said circular magnet to be magnetized to slip into said radial gap, the flux

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